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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the allocation and expenditure of state lottery revenues; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; requiring a portion of Powerball net revenues to be allocated to voluntary prekindergarten education programs; providing for the use of funds; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 24.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 24.121 Allocation of revenues and expenditure of funds for public education.--
- (5) (a) Public educational programs and purposes funded by the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund may include, but are not limited to, endowment, scholarship, matching funds, direct grants, research and economic development related to education, salary enhancement, contracts with independent institutions to conduct programs consistent with the state master plan for postsecondary education, or any other educational program or purpose deemed desirable by the Legislature. Prior to the expenditure of these funds, each school district shall establish policies and procedures that define enhancement and the types of expenditures consistent with that definition.
- (b) Except as provided in paragraphs (c), (d), and (e), and (f), the Legislature shall equitably apportion moneys in the trust fund among public schools, community colleges, and universities.

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A portion of such net revenues, as determined annually by the Legislature, shall be distributed to each school district and shall be made available to each public school in the district for enhancing school performance through development and implementation of a school improvement plan pursuant to s. 1001.42(18). A portion of these moneys, as determined annually in the General Appropriations Act, must be allocated to each school in an equal amount for each student enrolled. These moneys may be expended only on programs or projects selected by the school advisory council or by a parent advisory committee created pursuant to this paragraph. If a school does not have a school advisory council, the district advisory council must appoint a parent advisory committee composed of parents of students enrolled in that school, which is representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school, to advise the school's principal on the programs or projects to be funded. Neither school district staff nor principals may override the recommendations of the school advisory council or the parent advisory committee. These moneys may not be used for capital improvements or for any project or program that has a duration of more than 1 year; however, a school advisory council or parent advisory committee may independently determine that a program or project formerly funded under this paragraph should receive funds in a subsequent year.

(d) No funds shall be released for any purpose from the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund to any school district in which one or more schools do not have an approved school improvement plan pursuant to s. 1001.42(18) or do not comply

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with school advisory council membership composition requirements pursuant to s. 1001.452(1). The Commissioner of Education shall withhold disbursements from the trust fund to any school district that fails to adopt the performance-based salary schedule required by s. 1012.22(1).

- (e) All components of the Florida Bright Futures
 Scholarship Program shall be funded annually from the
 Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. Funds shall be allocated to
 this program prior to application of the formula for equitable
 distribution to public schools, community colleges, and state
 universities. If shortages require reductions in estimated
 distributions from the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, funds
 for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program shall be
 reduced only after reductions in all other distributions are
 made.
- (f) A portion of Powerball net revenues, as determined annually by the Legislature, shall be distributed to enhance voluntary prekindergarten education programs. Such funds shall be allocated to each voluntary prekindergarten education program in an equal amount for each student enrolled. Such funds must be used for direct classroom expenditures and may not be used for administrative costs.
- (g)(f) Each school district shall, on a quarterly basis, make available to the public and distribute, in an easy to understand format, the expenditures of lottery funds allocated to the school district.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.